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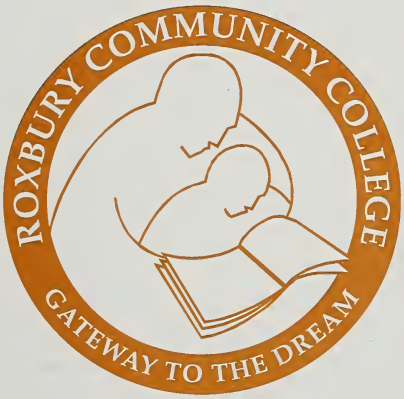

30th Commencement
Friday, June 3, 2005
Four O'Clock P.M.

Roxbury Community College
Reggie Lewis Track and Athletic Center

The National Anthem

Oh, say, can you see, by the dawn's early light,

What so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming?

Whose broad stripes and bright stars, thro' the perilous fight'

O'er the ramparts we watched, were so gallantly streaming.

And the rockets red glare, the bombs bursting in air,

Gave proof through the night that our flag was still there.

Oh, say, does that star-spangled banner yet wave

O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?

Francis Scott Key

Lift Ev'ry Voice and Sing

Lift ev'ry voice and sing

Till earth and heaven ring,

Ring with the harmonies of Liberty;

Let our rejoicing rise, High as the list'ning skies,

Let it resound loud as the rolling sea.

Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us,

Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us;

Facing the rising sun of our new day begun

Let us march on 'til victory is won.

James Weldon Johnson
1871 - 1938

PROGRAM

Prelude

Processional
The audience is requested to remain seated during the processional for students and faculty.
Music provided by Dr. John J. Weeks.
Grafton Job Corps Color Guard will post the colors.

Students' Greetings From Around the World

National Anthem and Lift Ev'ry Voice and Sing
Ms. Terri Taylor

Greetings from the President
Dr. Terrence A. Gomes, President

Greetings from the Massachusetts Board of Higher Education
Mr. Richard Taylor

Greetings from the Alumni
Ms. Saleia A. Woodhouse, Class of 2003

Musical Selection
Ms. Terri Taylor - Accompanied by Dr. John J. Weeks

Community Service Award
Ms. Jackie Jenkins-Scott - Award Recipient

Student Address
Ms. Haben Keffella, Valedictorian

Commencement Address
Mr. Charles E. Walker, Jr., Esq.

Musical Selection
Ms. Terri Taylor-Accompanied by Dr. John J. Weeks

Conferring of Degrees and Certificates
Authorization of the Board of Trustees
Dr. Phillip L. Clay, Chair, Board of Trustees
Dr. Terrence A. Gomes, President

Introduction of Degree and Certificate Candidates
Presided by Dr. Brenda W. Mercomes, Vice President of Academic Affairs
Candidates for Associate of Arts degree introduced by Dean Patrick Seyon,
Candidates for Associate of Science degree introduced by Dean Thomas Sabbagh,
Candidates for Certificates with specification introduced by Dean JoAnn Mulready-Shick

Presentation of Degrees and Certificates to the Students
Dr. Phillip L. Clay, Chair, Board of Trustees
Dr. Terrence A. Gomes, President
Presided by Dr. Brenda W. Mercomes, Vice President of Academic Affairs

President's Charge to Graduating Class of 2005
Dr. Terrence A. Gomes, President

Recessional

The audience is requested to remain seated during the recessional and is invited immediately after the ceremony to a reception in the Reggie Lewis Track and Athletic Center Field House.

Greetings from the President

Today is a landmark in the chosen path for your lives. Beyond this landmark, or signpost, awaits a world around you that is real and not enclosed in a structured glass bubble.

As cliche-ish as it is, however, this is not just the end, but the beginning of new opportunities, experiences, and growth. On the other side of the marker is a pristine world to explore, one of almost infinite size. There, possibilities are truly endless.

I would like you to remember, today, not just this moment but the years that have lead to this moment. The days spent together in class, the smiles of friendships built, and the hard work and sacrifices endured.

My message for the graduates today is to grasp opportunities when they arise for therein lies your future and the future of our community.

Congratulations to the Class of 2005. I wish each of you every success in the future.

Dr. Terrence A. Gomes
President

Commencement Speaker
Charles E. Walker, Jr., Esq.

Charles E. Walker, Jr., is a former Administrative Judge with the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Industrial Accidents (the "DIA"), where he successfully completed a 4-year term ending on September 20, 2004. Prior to assuming this role, Walker served with distinction for six years as a Commissioner and later Chairman of the Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination (the "MCAD"), the state's chief civil rights enforcement agency charged to enforce the state's anti-discrimination laws principally in the areas of Employment, Housing, and Public Accommodations.

Mr. Walker graduated Magna Cum Laude from the University of California at Santa Barbara, where he received his Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science. Following two years as a high school English teacher, he ventured east to attend Boston College Law School where he received his Juris Doctorate Degree. Mr. Walker served as a Judicial Law Clerk for two years both in the Superior Court (Hon. James Lynch, C.J.) and later at the Massachusetts Appeals Court for Hon. Frederick L. Brown, Associate Justice. For six years, Mr. Walker served as an Assistant Attorney General, under Attorney General Francis X. Bellotti, where he defended state agencies, and officials in all the state and federal trial and appellate courts of Massachusetts. Thereafter, Mr. Walker joined as an Assistant Professor on the full-time faculty of the New England School of Law.

Mr. Walker is the former Chairman of the Board of Directors for the Roxbury Defenders Committee, Inc., and has served as the President of the Massachusetts Black Lawyers Association, as well as an Associate Editor of the Massachusetts Law Review. He is a regular Instructor in Prof. Charles Ogletree's Trial Advocacy workshop at Harvard Law School. In 1995, Mr. Walker was the recipient of the Boston College Law School Father William J. Kenneally Alumnus of the Year Award. In 1997, he was voted by the Editors of Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly one of the "Top Ten Lawyers of the Year".

Mr. Walker's work in Civil Rights Enforcement has been recognized nationally and locally. He has regularly appeared and given commentary in local and national television and radio broadcasts. Mr. Walker currently teaches classes in Race, Law and Social Policy at Boston College and Tufts University, and has authored several articles on the history of blacks,

and black lawyers practicing before the Massachusetts Courts.

On April 26, 2005, Mr. Walker received the Boston College Law School's Alumni Association 75th Anniversary Distinguished Alumnus Award and was recently nominated to the College of Labor and Employment Lawyers, Class of 2006.

He is an active member and Deacon in his Church, The Good Shepherd Church of God-in-Christ in Roxbury, and resides with his lovely wife, Dorothy G. Sanders, Esq. and their two daughters in Sharon, Massachusetts.

Community Service Award Recipient

Jackie Jenkins-Scott

On July 1, 2004, Jackie Jenkins-Scott, took office as the 11th President of Wheelock College. Ms. Jenkins-Scott is someone who fully embraces Wheelock's mission "to improve the quality of life for children and their families." She will give Wheelock the leadership it needs at this time of great pressure on public sector support for education and social services. Ms. Jenkins-Scott will support and guide an outstanding urban college that fosters greater service to the community along with intellectual and cultural growth.

Prior to her appointment to Wheelock College, Ms. Jenkins-Scott served as President and Chief Executive Officer of the Dimock Community Health Center from 1983 - 2004. In this capacity, Ms. Jenkins-Scott oversaw a staff of 650 and a budget of more than $27.5 million. As a result of her strong and visionary leadership, Dimock is considered a national model of integrated comprehensive health and human services.

In 1983, Dimock stood on the verge of bankruptcy. Its ten-acre campus including eight historic buildings suffered from years of "deferred maintenance" and neglect. The Center undertook a full evaluation of its real estate resources and has nearly completed an ambitious campus renovation program. Since 1988, over $21.0 million has been invested in campus redevelopment including $10.0 million in private donations raised through two capital campaigns. In 1992, the Center completed Phase One of its real estate development program, which included the construction of the Center's first new building in over 60 years and renovation of the historic Goddard Building. In 1996, Phase II was completed adding expansion and improvements to the medical and HIV services facilities. In addition, a new building was constructed for the Massachusetts Department of Social Services. Phase III of the real estate development plan has been completed with the renovation of the Sewell Building, a new 10,000 square foot addition to the Youth and Family Services Building, and a comprehensive campus landscape plan. In 2004, Dimock secured funds to begin the renovation of the Cary Cottage building, one of the oldest historic landmarks on the campus.

The Center completed its third capital campaign, a $17.5 million dollar, four-year fundraising drive to improve its capacity to serve.

Under Ms. Jenkins-Scott's leadership, the Center emerged as a leader in the field of community health. Sound management and financial stability

strengthened Dimock's established programs and attracted new and innovative projects to its campus. During the past fifteen years, Dimock developed over 110 programs designed to meet the multiplicity of needs facing an urban, racial and culturally diverse community. Innovative programs in primary health care, workforce development, behavioral health and child and family development are the hallmark of Dimock's service delivery. In addition to its core services, Dimock developed a growing reputation for leadership in community-based research. In the fall of 2003, Dimock added a cutting edge transitional housing program for 25 homeless families to its service offerings.

Prior to her position with Dimock, Ms. Jenkins-Scott served as Director of the Roxbury Court Clinic (1977-1983) and held several positions with the Massachusetts, Department of Public Health (1973-1977). She holds a Masters Degree in Social Work from Boston University (1973), a Bachelor of Science degree from Eastern Michigan University (1971), and completed a Postgraduate Research Fellowship at Radcliffe College (1975).

Ms. Jenkins-Scott serves as a director of many professional and community organizations including the John F. Kennedy Library and Museum, and the Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center and its affiliate Community Care Alliance. She also served as board member of the Massachusetts League of Neighborhood Health Centers and the Environmental League of Massachusetts. In 2000, Ms. Jenkins-Scott was selected as a founding Board member of the Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts Foundation. She recently completed a five-year term as Board member of Zoo New England. Ms. Jenkins-Scott also served on the Board of Overseers of Planned Parenthood, Facing History, and Walnut Hill School.

In 1998, Jenkins-Scott was appointed by Mayor Thomas Menino as one of seven Commissioners to the City of Boston Public Health Commission and in 2000, Governor Paul Cellucci appointed her to the Commonwealth's Tobacco Advisory Oversight Committee.

In April 2003, Jenkins-Scott completed a seven year term as a member of the Board of Directors of the National Cooperative Bank, a one billion dollar bank headquartered in Washington D.C. She served for two years as Chairperson of the Bank's affiliate, the National Cooperative Bank Development Corporation.

Ms. Jenkins-Scott has received many citations, recognitions, and awards including the prestigious Kathleen Crampton Award from the Massachusetts League of Neighborhood Health Centers, the Alfred Frechette Award from the Massachusetts Department of Public Health and the Outstanding Alumni Award from the Boston University School of Social Work. The Urban League of Eastern Massachusetts and Mayor Thomas Menino recognized

Ms. Jenkins-Scott for her contributions to the City of Boston. In 1996, she received the Massachusetts Health Council Award and the Vision Women Award from the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority. In 1998, Ms. Jenkins-Scott received the New England Women's Leadership Award from the Colonel Marr Boys and Girls Club. In 2000, Ms. Jenkins-Scott was recognized by Simmons College for leadership in Health Care. In 2003, the Massachusetts Black Alcoholism and Addictions Council recognized Ms. Jenkins-Scott for her contributions. She was inducted into the Academy of Women Achievers by the Boston YWCA and received the Outstanding Health Center Director award from the Massachusetts League of Neighborhood Health Centers. She holds Honorary Doctorates from Bentley College, Mount Ida College, and Wheelock College.

Ms. Jenkins-Scott resides in Brookline with her husband, James. They have two children in college, Amal and Amber. In addition to her many professional activities, she is active in community religious and civic organizations.

Degrees in Course

Degrees are presented in the following order.

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Pre-Nursing

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General Concentration

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Daniella Leonovich
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Hajiri Mija
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Hassan S. Mohammed
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Biological Science

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General Concentration

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General Concentration

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Sabriyah Nadiyah Williams
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Early Childhood Education

Jenny Andre
Early Childhood Education

Ifeyinwa P. Anidi
Nursing

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Justin T. Bell
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Nursing

Sammy Richard Bernado
Nursing

Elena Beygelmakher
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Kathleen T. Breen
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Michelle Brown
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Robert Bruce
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The Registrar of Roxbury Community College maintains the official list of all graduates. This program is only for ceremonial purposes.

Scholarships, Awards, and Honors

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc./Psi Omega Chapter Award
This award is given to an outstanding multicultural female graduate who is transferring to a four-year institution.
Azure Parker

Claudia J. Tucker Award
This award is given annually to an outstanding Roxbury Community College transfer student in honor of the mother of Roxbury Community College's Professor Royal C. Tucker.
Daniela DePina

Francina E. Copeland Gelzer Endowed Scholarship
Given in the name of a lifelong resident of the greater Roxbury community with a strong commitment to education, this award is presented to a Roxbury Community College student on the basis of outstanding scholastic achievement. The recipient is an African-American graduate who has maintained a grade point average of 3.0 or higher and who has been accepted into a four-year college degree program.
Brenda Velez

James H. Caesar Endowed Scholarship
In 1986, a Roxbury resident established this scholarship to honor the opportunities this country and community had given him. In selecting the recipient, preference is given to graduating students who have attended the Cooper Community Center of Roxbury or the Roxbury Boys and Girls Club. If this criterion does not apply, the scholarship may be awarded to a talented Roxbury Community College student from the Roxbury community.
Mishel Burgos

Letitia Garafalo Endowed Scholarship
Established by a native of Quincy, Massachusetts, who used her knowledge of languages to live and work in communities around the world, this endowed memorial scholarship is presented to a Roxbury Community College graduate on the basis of academic merit and financial need.
Ishman Williams

Sapers Family Opportunity Awards
This award is presented to no more than ten Roxbury Community College graduates who transfer to four-year colleges in pursuit of baccalaureate degrees. This special "50-50" award consists of both a scholarship and a low-interest loan. The award is made available through the generosity of the William R. Sapers family of Boston.
Luisa Fernandes, Michelle Fuller, Emmanuel Lafalaise, Azure Parker, Haben Keffella

Therese Dutile Giles Award
Given annually by the Giles family in memory of their mother, this award is presented to a student who, having mastered a new language in the English for Speakers of Other Languages Department, is now graduating with an associate degree and has provided service to the Roxbury Community College community.
Junie Transtama

RCCF Excellence Scholarship Award
This award of $1000 is given annually to the graduating student(s) with the highest grade point average. The student(s) must have earned at least 50 credits at Roxbury Community College and have been accepted at a four-year college and will be pursuing a baccalaureate degree.
Haben Keffella

Roxbury Community College

Years of dreaming and planning came to life in 1973, when Roxbury Community College opened its doors in the Grove Hall area of Roxbury. Despite less than perfect surroundings - its location was a former car dealership - Roxbury Community College's dedicated faculty, staff, and administration served the educational needs of four hundred students. The College's mission, as it is now, was to provide higher education to those Boston residents who found most other avenues to higher education closed.

In 1975, growth was impetus for a move to 424 Dudley Street, a former nursing home. This move permitted the expansion and strengthening of academic programs and student services. The College continued to grow, which precipitated another move in 1982 to the former site of Boston State College on Huntington Avenue. As the college continued to shift its service base to meet an expanding enrollment, the goal to establish a permanent home for Roxbury Community College in the heart of the communities it serves, remained strong.

With much anticipation, Roxbury Community College built its new home as the cornerstone of the Southwest Corridor in the Spring of 1978. This fifteen acre campus includes a state-of-the-art Media Arts Building, Academic Building, Administration Building, Student Center, and the Reggie Lewis Track and Athletic Center.

A global village, Roxbury Community College's multicultural and ethnically diverse student population has set it apart from other community colleges in the Commonwealth. Although most of our students are from Boston and surrounding communities, many come from all corners of the world including: North America, Central America, South America, Africa, Asia, the Middle East, and Europe. International students also hail from Brazil, China, Trinidad, Peru, Barbados, Nigeria, Haiti, and Jamaica.

With renewed commitment, Roxbury Community College continues its legacy of providing educational opportunities for all who enter its doors.

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